

§ 1.825-3

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(3) *Offset in case of carryover.* In the case of an unused loss carryover from the loss year to the offset year, the offset is equal to the sum of:

(i) The amount required to be subtracted from the protection against loss account under section 824(d)(1)(C) (relating to amounts equal to the unused loss carryovers to the offset year), plus

(ii) The mutual insurance company taxable income for the taxable year, computed without regard to any unused loss carryback or carryover from the loss year or any taxable year thereafter.

[T.D. 6681, 28 FR 11123, Oct. 17, 1963]

§ 1.825-3 Examples.

The application of section 825 may be illustrated by the following examples:

*Example 1.* For the taxable year 1967, F, a mutual insurance company subject to the tax imposed by section 821(a), has the following items:

|   |    |
|---|----|
| Taxable investment income .....                   | 1  |
| Underwriting loss .....                           | 59 |
| Addition to protection against loss account ..... | 8  |
| Statutory underwriting loss .....                 | 67 |

The subtractions from the protection against loss account are as follows:

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Amount subtracted from amounts in account with respect to taxable years 1963 through 1966 ..... | 18        |
| Amount subtracted from amounts in account with respect to taxable year 1967 .....               | 8         |
| <b>Total subtractions from protection against loss account under section 824(d) .....</b>       | <b>26</b> |

The application of section 825 in this case may be illustrated by the facts and results shown in the following table and explained below:

|  | TAXABLE YEAR |      |      |      |      |      |
|--|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|
|  | 1963         | 1964 | 1965 | 1966 | 1967 | 1968 |
| Protection against loss account:   |              |      |      |      |      |      |
| Addition to account during taxable year .....  | 6            | 2    | 3    | 7    | 8    | 7    |
| Subtraction from account during taxable year .....                                     | 0            | 0    | 0    | 0    | 8    | 7    |
| Protection against loss account (at end of year)                                       | 6            | 2    | 3    | 7    | 0    | 0    |
| Protection against loss account (at end of taxable year 1968) .....                    | 0            | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| Unused loss .....  | 0            | 0    | 0    | 0    | 40   | 0    |
| Unused loss carryback .....  | 0            | 40   | 35   | 25   | 0    | 0    |
| Unused loss carryover .....  | 0            | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 18   |
| Unused loss deduction .....  | 0            | 40   | 35   | 25   | 0    | 18   |
| Mutual insurance company taxable income (computed without regard to unused loss) ..... | 13           | 5    | 10   | 7    | 0    | 2    |
| Mutual insurance company taxable income (computed with regard to unused loss) .....    | 13           | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| Offset for year .....  | 0            | 5    | 10   | 7    | 0    | 9    |
| Offset total .....   | 0            | 5    | 15   | 22   | 22   | 31   |

*1967:* Under the provisions of section 825(b), F's unused loss for 1967 is 40, the amount by which the sum of the statutory underwriting loss and the investment loss, 67 (67 plus 0), exceeds the sum of the taxable investment income, the statutory underwriting income, and the amounts required to be subtracted from the protection against loss account under section 824(d) for the taxable year, 27 (the sum of 1, 0, and 26, respectively).

*1967 carryback to 1964:* Under the provisions of section 825(e), the entire unused loss for 1967 of 40 is carried back to 1964, the earliest year to which the loss may be carried under section 825(d). Since there are no other amounts carried to 1964, the unused loss deduction for 1964 is 40. Thus, after taking the unused loss deduction into account, the mutual insurance company taxable income for 1964 is zero, and the offset for 1964 is 5 (the mutual insurance company taxable income

for 1964 determined without regard to the unused loss carryback from 1967 or any year thereafter).

*1967 carryback to 1965:* The portion of the unused loss for 1967 which is carried back to 1965 is 35 (40 minus 5, the offset for 1964). After taking the unused loss deduction into account, the mutual insurance company taxable income for 1965 is zero. The offset for 1965 is 10, the mutual insurance company taxable income for 1965 determined without regard to any unused loss carryback from 1967 or any year thereafter.

*1967 carryback to 1966:* The portion of the unused loss for 1967 which is carried back to 1966 is 25. This amount is the excess of the unused loss for 1967 of 40 over the sum of the offset for 1964 (5) and the offset for 1965 (10). As a result of the unused loss deduction the mutual insurance company taxable income

for 1966 is reduced to zero. The offset for 1966 is 7.

**1967 carryover to 1968:** Under the provisions of section 825(d), the portion of the unused loss for 1967 which is carried forward to 1968 is 18 (40 minus the sum of 5, 10, and 7, the offsets for 1964, 1965, and 1966, respectively). Under section 825(f)(2), this amount is first applied against any amounts in the protection against loss account at the end of 1968, and is then applied against the mutual insurance company taxable income for 1968 (computed without regard to any unused loss carryovers or carrybacks from 1967 or any taxable year thereafter). Thus, assuming that there are no other subtractions from its protection against loss account under section 824(d) for 1968, F's protection against loss account of 7 is reduced to zero by reason of the subtraction under section 824(d)(1)(C). The remaining portion of the unused loss for 1967 which is carried to 1968, 11 (18 minus 7, the amount of the unused loss carryover to 1968 which is subtracted from the protection against loss account under section 824(d)(1)(C)), is then applied against the mutual insurance company taxable income for 1968 computed without regard to any unused carryback or carryover from the loss year (1967) or any taxable year thereafter. After the application of the unused loss deduction for 1968, the mutual insurance company taxable income for 1968 is zero. The offset for 1968 is 9, the sum of the amount required to be subtracted from the protection against loss account under section 824(d)(1)(C) for 1968 (7), plus the mutual insurance company taxable income for 1968, determined without regard to any unused loss carryover or carryback from 1967 or any year thereafter (2). The remaining 9 of the unused loss for 1967 (40 minus the sum of 5, 10, 7, and 9, the offsets for 1964, 1965, 1966, and 1968, respectively), is carried forward to 1969, and to the extent not used in that year or any year thereafter, may be carried forward to 1970, 1971, and 1972, in that order.

**Example 2.** If in example 1 F had an unused loss in 1966 of 22, then, with respect to F's 1967 unused loss of 40, the offset for 1964 would be zero; the offset for 1965 would be 6—the 1965 mutual insurance company taxable income of 10 less an unused loss carryback of 4 from 1966 (the 1966 unused loss of 22 minus the 1963 offset of 13 and the 1964 offset of 5); the offset for the loss year 1966 would be zero, and 34 (the 1967 unused loss of 40 minus the offset for 1965 of 6) would remain as an unused loss carryover to 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, in that order. Thus, the unused loss carrybacks or carryovers to an offset year are applied against the mutual insurance company taxable income for such year in the order in which the losses occurred, with the earliest loss being offset first.

**Example 3.** For the taxable year 1963, M, a mutual insurance company subject to tax

imposed by section 821(a), has an unused loss (as defined in section 825(b)) of \$65,000. Under section 825(g), the loss may not be carried back to any taxable year beginning before 1963. However, the loss may be carried forward to each of the 5 taxable years following 1963 provided that for each of such succeeding taxable years M is subject to the tax imposed by section 821(a).

**Example 4.** Assume the facts are the same as in example 3, except that for the taxable year 1964, the gross amount received by M from the items described in section 822(b) (other than paragraph (1)(D) thereof) and premiums (including deposits and assessments) exceeds \$150,000 but does not exceed \$500,000. If M does not make the election under section 821(d) (relating to election to be taxed under section 821(a)) for 1964, M's 1963 unused loss of \$65,000 will not be allowed as an unused loss carryover or carryback since, by reason of section 825(g)(3), the unused loss may not be carried to any taxable year if, between the loss year and such taxable year, there is an intervening taxable year for which the insurance company was not subject to the tax imposed by section 821(a), and by reason of section 825(g)(1), the unused loss may not be carried to any taxable year beginning before 1963.

[T.D. 6681, 28 FR 11123, Oct. 17, 1963]

#### § 1.826-1 Election by reciprocal underwriters and interinsurers.

(a) *In general.* Except as otherwise provided in section 826(c), any mutual insurance company which is an interinsurer or reciprocal underwriter taxable under section 821(a) may elect under section 826(a) to limit its deductions for amounts paid or incurred to its attorney-in-fact to the deductions of its attorney-in-fact which are allocable to income received by the attorney-in-fact from the reciprocal during the taxable year. See § 1.826-4 for rules relating to allocation of expenses. In no case may such an election increase the amount deductible by the reciprocal for amounts paid or due its attorney-in-fact for the taxable year. The election allowed by section 826(a) and this section in effect increases the income of the reciprocal by the net income of the attorney-in-fact attributable to its business with the reciprocal. A reciprocal making the election is allowed a credit for the amount of tax paid by the attorney-in-fact for the taxable year which is attributable to income received by the attorney-in-

fact from the reciprocal. See section 826(e) and § 1.826-5.

(b) *Companies eligible to elect under section 826(a).* Any mutual insurance company which is a reciprocal underwriter or interinsurer subject to the tax imposed by section 821(a) may elect (in the manner prescribed by paragraph (c) of this section) to be subject to the limitation provided by section 826(b) and paragraph (a) of this section provided the attorney-in-fact of the electing reciprocal:

(1) Is subject to the taxes imposed by section 11 (b) and (c) and the regulations thereunder;

(2) Consents (in the manner provided by paragraph (a) of § 1.826-3) to provide the information required under paragraph (b) of § 1.826-3 during the period in which the election made under section 826(a) and this section is in effect;

(3) Reports the income received from the reciprocal and the deductions allocable thereto under the same method of accounting used by the reciprocal in reporting its deductions for amounts paid or due its attorney-in-fact; and

(4) Files its income tax return on a calendar year basis.

(c) *Manner of making election.* The election provided by section 826(a) and this section shall be made in a statement attached to the taxpayer's income tax return for the first taxable year for which such election is to apply. The statement shall include the name and address of the taxpayer, shall be signed by the taxpayer (or its duly authorized representative), and shall be filed not later than the time prescribed by law for filing the income tax return (including extensions thereof) for the first taxable year for which such election is to apply. For information required of an electing reciprocal, see paragraph (e) of this section.

(d) *Scope of election.* The election allowed by section 826(a) is binding for the taxable year for which made and all succeeding taxable years unless the Commissioner consents to a revocation of such election. Whether revocation will be permitted will depend upon the facts and circumstances of each particular case.

(e) *Information required of an electing company.* Every reciprocal underwriter or interinsurer making the election

provided by section 826(a) and this section shall, in the manner provided by paragraph (f) of this section, furnish the following information for each taxable year during which such election is in effect:

(1) The name and address of the attorney-in-fact with respect to which the election allowed by section 826(a) and this section is in effect; the district in which such attorney-in-fact filed its return for the taxable year; and a copy of the consent required by section 826 and § 1.826-3 and the date and district in which such consent was filed;

(2) The deductible amount paid or due to such attorney-in-fact from the reciprocal computed without regard to the limitation provided by section 826(b);

(3) The total amount claimed as a deduction by the reciprocal for amounts paid to its attorney-in-fact after giving effect to the limitation provided by section 826(b);

(4) The amount of the increase (if any) in underwriting gain (as defined in section 824(a)) attributable to the election allowed by section 826(a);

(5) The amount of the increase (if any) in the deduction allowed by section 824(a) (relating to deduction to provide protection against losses) attributable to the election allowed by section 826(a);

(6) The amount of any increase or decrease in the statutory underwriting income or loss for the taxable year (as computed under section 823) attributable to the election allowed by section 826(a);

(7) The amount of any increase or decrease in the mutual insurance company taxable income or unused loss for the taxable year attributable to the election allowed by section 826(a);

(8) The amount of the increase (if any) in the tax liability of the reciprocal for the taxable year attributable to the election allowed by section 826(a) before taking into account the credit provided by section 826(e);

(9) The amount of tax attributable to income received by the attorney-in-fact from the reciprocal during the taxable year (as determined under § 1.826-5) claimed (under section 826(e) and

paragraph (a) of this section) by the reciprocal as a credit for the taxable year; and

(10) The information which the attorney-in-fact is required to submit to the reciprocal under paragraphs (b) and (c) of § 1.826-3.

(f) *Manner in which information is to be provided.* The information required by paragraph (e) of this section shall be set forth in a statement attached to the taxpayer's income tax return for each taxable year for which such information is required. Such statement shall include the name and address of the taxpayer; and shall be filed not later than the date prescribed by law (including extensions thereof) for filing the income tax return for the taxable year with respect to which such information is being provided.

[T.D. 6681, 28 FR 11124, Oct. 17, 1963]

**§ 1.826-2 Special rules applicable to electing reciprocals.**

(a) *Protection against loss account.* Section 826(d) provides that for purposes of determining the amount to be subtracted from the protection against loss account under section 824(d)(1)(D) and the regulations thereunder (relating to amounts added to the account for the fifth preceding taxable year) for any taxable year, any amount which was added to such account by reason of the election under section 826(a) and paragraph (a) of § 1.826-1 shall be treated as having been added by reason of section 824(a)(1)(A) and the regulations thereunder (relating to amounts equal to 1 percent of losses incurred during the taxable year). Thus, no amount added to the protection against loss account by reason of an election made under section 826(a) may remain in such account beyond the end of the fifth taxable year following the taxable year with respect to which such amount was added. See section 824(d)(1)(D) and paragraph (b)(3) of § 1.824-1. The amount added to the protection against loss account by reason of an election under section 826(a) is that amount which is equal to 25 percent (plus, in the case of a reciprocal which qualifies as a concentrated risk company under section 824(a), so much of the concentrated wind-storm, etc.,

premium percentage as exceeds 40 percent) of the amount by which:

(1) The underwriting gain (as defined by section 824(a)(1)) computed after taking into account the limitation provided by section 826(b) and § 1.826-1, exceeds

(2) The underwriting gain computed without regard to the limitation provided by section 826(b) and § 1.826-1.

(b) *Denial of surtax exemption.* Section 826(f) provides that the tax imposed upon any increase in the mutual insurance company taxable income of a reciprocal which is attributable to the limitation provided by section 826(b) shall be computed without regard to the surtax exemption provided by section 821(a)(2) and the regulations thereunder. Thus, a company making the election provided under section 826(a) will be subject to surtax, as well as normal tax, on the increase in its mutual insurance company taxable income for the taxable year which is attributable to such election. Similarly, any amount which was added to the protection against loss account by reason of an election under section 826(a) and § 1.826-1, and which is subtracted from such account in accordance with section 826(d) and paragraph (a) of this section, will be subject to surtax, as well as normal tax, to the extent such amount increases mutual insurance company taxable income in the year in which the subtraction is made. Furthermore, the company will be subject to surtax on such increases notwithstanding the fact that it may have no normal tax liability for the taxable year, because its mutual insurance company taxable income (after giving effect to the election provided by section 826(a)) does not exceed \$6,000.

(c) *Adjustment for refunds.* Section 826(g) provides that if for any taxable year an attorney-in-fact is allowed a credit or refund for taxes paid with respect to which credit or refund to the reciprocal resulted under section 826(e), the taxes of such reciprocal for such taxable year shall be properly adjusted. The reciprocal shall make the adjustment required by section 826(g) by increasing its income tax liability for its taxable year in which the credit or refund is allowed to the attorney-in-fact by the amount of such credit or refund

which is attributable to taxes paid by the attorney-in-fact on income received from the reciprocal, as determined under § 1.826-6, but only to the extent that the payment of such amount by the attorney-in-fact resulted in a credit or refund to the reciprocal. However, if the refund or credit to the attorney-in-fact is the result of an error in determining its items of income or deduction for the taxable year with respect to which the refund or credit is allowed, and such error affects the amount of deductions allocable to its reciprocal for such taxable year, then, if the reciprocal's period for filing an amended return has not otherwise expired, the preceding sentence shall not apply and the reciprocal shall make the adjustment required by section 826(g) by filing an amended return for such taxable year and all subsequent taxable years for which an adjustment is required. The reciprocal's amended return or returns shall give effect to the change in the deductions of the attorney-in-fact allocable to income received from the reciprocal and the tax paid by the attorney-in-fact attributable to such income. The amount of any adjustment required by section 826(g) and this section and the computation thereof shall be set forth in a statement attached to and filed with the taxpayer's income tax return for the taxable year for which the adjustment is made. Such statement shall include the name and address of the taxpayer, and a copy of the notification received by the attorney-in-fact indicating that it has been allowed the credit or refund requiring adjustment of the reciprocal's taxes.

[T.D. 6681, 28 FR 11125, Oct. 17, 1963, as amended by T.D. 7100, 36 FR 5334, Mar. 20, 1971]

**§ 1.826-3 Attorney-in-fact of electing reciprocals.**

(a) *Manner of making consent.* Section 826(c)(2) provides that a reciprocal may not elect to be subject to the limitation provided by section 826(b) unless its attorney-in-fact consents to make certain information available. See paragraph (b) of this section. The attorney-in-fact of a reciprocal making the election provided by section 826(a) shall signify the consent required by

section 826(c) in a statement attached to its income tax return for the first taxable year for which the reciprocal's election is to apply. Such statement shall include the name and address of the consenting taxpayer; the name and address of the reciprocal with respect to which such consent is to apply; shall be signed by the taxpayer (or its duly authorized representative); and shall be filed not later than the date prescribed by law (including extensions thereof) for filing the income tax return for the first taxable year for which such consent is to apply. In addition, such statement shall specify that the taxpayer is subject to the taxes imposed by section 11 (b) and (c); the method of accounting used in reporting income received from its reciprocal and the deductions allocable thereto; and that its return is filed on the calendar year basis. Consent, once given, shall be irrevocable for the period during which the election provided for the reciprocal by section 826(a) is in effect. See paragraph (e) of § 1.826-1.

(b) *Information required of consenting attorney-in-fact.* Every attorney-in-fact making the consent provided by section 826(c)(2) and paragraph (a) of this section shall, in the manner prescribed by paragraph (c) of this section, furnish the following information for each taxable year during which the consent provided by section 826(c)(2) and paragraph (a) of this section is in effect:

(1) The name and address of the reciprocal with respect to which the consent required by section 826(c)(2) and paragraph (a) of this section is to apply;

(2) Gross income in total and by sources, adjusted for returns and allowances;

(3) Deductions (itemized to the same extent as on taxpayer's income tax return and accompanying schedules) allocable to each source of gross income and in total (see § 1.826-4);

(4) Method of allocation used in subparagraph (3) of this paragraph;

(5) Taxable income (if any) in total and by sources, as in subparagraph (2) of this paragraph (income by sources from subparagraph (2) of this paragraph minus expenses allocable thereto under subparagraph (3) of this paragraph);

(6) Total income tax liability (if any) for the taxable year;

(7) Taxes paid attributable (under § 1.826-5) to income earned by the taxpayer in dealing with the reciprocal;

(8) Such other information as may be required by the district director.

(c) *Manner in which information is to be provided.* (1) The information required by paragraph (b) of this section shall be set forth in a statement attached to the taxpayer's income tax return for each taxable year for which the consent provided by section 826(c)(2) and paragraph (a) of this section is in effect. Such statement shall include the name and address of the taxpayer, and shall be filed not later than the date prescribed by law (including extensions thereof) for filing the income tax return for each taxable year for which such information is required.

(2) A copy of the statement containing the information required by paragraph (b) of this section shall be submitted to the board of advisors (or other comparable body) of the reciprocal on whose behalf the consent provided under section 826(c)(2) is given. The copy shall be executed in the same manner as the original and shall be delivered to such board not later than 10 days before the last date prescribed by law (including extensions thereof) for filing the reciprocal's income tax return for the taxable year for which the information is required unless the attorney-in-fact establishes to the satisfaction of the district director that the failure to furnish such copy or the failure to furnish such copy within the prescribed 10 day period was due to circumstances beyond its control. In addition, there shall be attached to and made a part of such copy, a copy of the income tax return of the attorney-in-fact (including accompanying schedules) for each taxable year for which such statement is required.

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#### § 1.826-4 Allocation of expenses.

An attorney-in-fact allocating expenses as required by section 826(b) and paragraph (b) of § 1.826-3 shall allocate each expense itemized in its income tax return (and accompanying schedules) for the taxable year to each

source of gross income (as set forth pursuant to paragraph (b)(2) of § 1.826-3). However, no portion of the net operating loss deduction allowed by section 172 shall be allocated to income received or due from the reciprocal, and no expenses, other than those directly related thereto, shall be allocated to capital gains. Where the method of allocation used by the taxpayer does not reasonably reflect the expenses of the taxpayer allocable to income received or due from the reciprocal, the district director may require the taxpayer to use such other method of allocation as is reasonable under the circumstances.

[T.D. 6681, 28 FR 11126, Oct. 17, 1963]

#### § 1.826-5 Attribution of tax.

(a) *In general.* Section 826(e) provides that a reciprocal making the election allowed by section 826(a) shall be credited with so much of the tax paid by the attorney-in-fact as is attributable to the income received by the attorney-in-fact from the reciprocal in such taxable year.

(b) *Computation.* For purposes of section 826(e) and paragraph (a) of this section, the amount of tax attributable to income received by the attorney-in-fact from the reciprocal in the taxable year shall be computed in the following manner:

(1) First, compute the taxable income (if any) from each source of gross income set forth in paragraph (b)(2) of § 1.826-3 by deducting from each such amount the expenses allocable thereto under § 1.826-4;

(2) Second, compute the normal tax on each amount of taxable income computed in subparagraph (1) of this paragraph at the rate provided by section 11(b) of the Code;

(3) Third, deduct from each amount determined in subparagraph (1) of this paragraph an amount which bears the same proportion to the surtax exemption provided by section 11(c) of the Code as each amount computed under subparagraph (1) of this paragraph bears to the total of the amounts computed under subparagraph (1) of this paragraph;

(4) Fourth, compute the surtax on each remainder computed in subparagraph (3) of this paragraph at the rate provided by section 11(c) of the Code;

(5) Fifth, add the normal tax computed under subparagraph (2) of this paragraph to the surtax computed under subparagraph (4) of this paragraph for each amount computed under subparagraph (1) of this paragraph;

(6) Sixth, deduct from each amount of tax computed under subparagraph (5) of this paragraph any tax credits (other than those arising from payments made with respect to the tax liability for the taxable year or other taxable years) allocable (in the same manner as provided for expenses under § 1.826-4) to such amount;

(7) Seventh, compute that amount which bears the same proportion to the tax actually paid with respect to the taxable year as each individual amount computed under subparagraph (6) of this paragraph bears to the total of the amounts computed under subparagraph (6) of this paragraph. The amount so determined with respect to each amount computed under subparagraph (6) of this paragraph is the tax paid which is attributable to the amount computed under subparagraph (1) of this paragraph.

To the extent the amounts determined under subparagraph (1) of this paragraph are attributable to amounts received from the reciprocal for the taxable year, the tax attributable to such amounts (as determined under subparagraph (7) of this paragraph) shall be the amount of tax attributable to income received by the attorney-in-fact from the reciprocal during the taxable year.

(c) *Taxes of attorney-in-fact unaffected.* Nothing in section 826 or the regulations thereunder shall increase or decrease the taxes imposed on the income of the attorney-in-fact.

[T.D. 6681, 28 FR 11126, Oct. 17, 1963]

**§ 1.826-6 Credit or refund.**

(a) *Notification required.* In any case where a taxpayer applies for a credit or refund of taxes paid by it in respect of a taxable year for which the taxpayer was the consenting attorney-in-fact of a reciprocal making the election provided by section 826(a), such taxpayer shall give notice to its reciprocal for such taxable year, first, upon applying for the credit or refund; and again, within 10 days from the date on which

a final determination is made that such credit or refund has been allowed or denied.

(b) *Notice form.* The notices required by this section shall include the name and address of the taxpayer and shall be signed by the taxpayer or its duly authorized representative. In addition, there shall be attached to and made a part of each first notice a concise statement of the claim upon which the application for refund or credit is based; and there shall be attached to and made a part of each second notice:

(1) A copy of the notification (if any) received by the taxpayer indicating that the credit or refund has been allowed; and

(2) A statement setting forth the amount of such credit or refund attributable to taxes paid by the taxpayer on income received from the reciprocal, and the computation by which such amount was determined.

(c) *Manner of apportioning refund or credit.* The taxpayer shall determine the amount of the refund or credit attributable to taxes paid on income received from its reciprocal by reallocating its income and expense items for the taxable year, with respect to which the refund or credit is allowed, in the manner provided by §§ 1.826-3 and 1.826-4 so as to reflect the adjustments (if any) in such items which resulted in the credit or refund of tax for the taxable year. The taxpayer shall then recompute the tax attributable to income received from its reciprocal for such taxable year in the manner provided by § 1.826-5. The district director may require such additional information as may be necessary in the circumstances to verify the computations required by this paragraph.

[T.D. 6681, 28 FR 11126, Oct. 17, 1963]

**§ 1.826-7 Examples.**

The application of section 826 may be illustrated by the following examples:

*Example 1.* For the taxable year 1963, R, a reciprocal underwriter subject to the taxes imposed by section 821(a), has the following items (determined before applying any election under section 826):

|                                   |       |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Gross income under sec. 832 ..... | \$578 |
| Gross investment income .....     | 50    |

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Deductions under sec. 832 (as modified by sec. 823(b)):

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Deduction for amounts paid by R to attorney-in-fact A | \$100      |
| All other deductions                                  | 500        |
| <b>Total deductions under sec. 832</b>                | <b>600</b> |
| Deductions under sec. 822(c)                          | 40         |
| Incurred losses                                       | 400        |
| Protection against loss deduction                     | 4          |
| Underwriting gain                                     | 0          |
| Mutual insurance company taxable income               | 0          |
| Unused loss   | 22         |
| Credit or refund for taxes paid                       | 0          |

Assume that the deductions of attorney-in-fact A allocable to the income received by A from R are 60 and the tax paid by A allocable to the income received from R is 16. If R elects to be subject to the limitation provided in section 826(b), the results for 1963 would be as follows:

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| Gross income under sec. 832 | \$578 |
| Gross investment income     | 50    |

Deductions under sec. 832 (as modified by sec. 823(b)):

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Deduction for amounts paid by R to attorney-in-fact A | \$60       |
| All other deductions                                  | 500        |
| <b>Total deduction under sec. 832</b>                 | <b>560</b> |
| Deductions under sec. 822(c)                          | 40         |
| Incurred losses                                       | 400        |
| Underwriting gain                                     | 8          |
| Protection against loss deduction                     | 6          |
| Mutual insurance company taxable income               | 12         |
| Unused loss   | 0          |
| Credit or refund for taxes paid                       | 16         |

Under the provisions of section 826(b), R's deduction for amounts paid or incurred to the attorney-in-fact in the taxable year 1963 would be limited to the deductions of A allocable to the income received by A from R. Thus, R's deductions under section 832 (as modified by section 823(b)) for 1963 would be 60 (the deductions of A which are allocable to the income received by A from R). As a result of making the election under section 826(a) for the taxable year 1963, R's underwriting gain would be 8, and its statutory underwriting income would be 2 (the underwriting gain of 8 minus the protection against loss deduction of 6—of which 4 represents the amount determined under section 824(a)(1)(A)—and 2 represents the amount determined under section 824(a)(1)(B)—or 8 minus 6). R's mutual insurance company taxable income for 1963 would be 12, consisting of taxable investment income of 10 (gross investment income minus deductions under section 822(c), or 50 minus 40) plus statutory underwriting income of 2. Since all of R's mutual insurance company taxable income of 12 is attributable to the limitation under section 826(b), the entire amount is subject to the surtax under section 821(a)(2) without regard to the \$25,000

surtax exemption. The credit of 16, representing that part of the tax paid by A which is allocable to the income received by A from R, may be applied by R against its taxes with respect to its mutual insurance company taxable income of 12 for 1963, and R would be entitled to a refund of any excess of the amount of such credit over its tax liability for 1963.

Under the provisions of section 826(d), no portion of the amount added to the protection against loss account in 1963 by reason of the election under section 826(a), 2 (25 percent of the amount by which the consolidated underwriting gain exceeds 25 percent of the underwriting gain determined without regard to the election under section 826(a), or the amount by which 25 percent of 8 exceeds 25 percent of 0), may remain in such account beyond the taxable year 1968.

**Example 2.** For the taxable year 1963, F is a corporate attorney-in-fact subject to the taxes imposed by section 11(b) and (c) of the Code. F files its return on the calendar year basis and reports income received from its reciprocal and the deductions allocable thereto under the same method of accounting used by its reciprocal in reporting its deductions for amounts paid to R. F properly consents to provide the information required by paragraph (b) of § 1.826-3. In addition to its attorney-in-fact business, F owns real estate for investment purposes, and operates a real estate management service. For the taxable year 1963, F has gross income from these various sources as follows:

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Attorney-in-fact fees       | \$85,000 |
| Real estate management fees | 18,000   |
| Rental income               | 25,000   |

F allocates its expenses for the taxable year on the basis of their direct relation to each source of income. During 1963, F acquired property for use in its attorney-in-fact operations which entitled F to an investment credit of \$800 under section 38. For 1963, F determines that the tax paid by it which is attributable to its reciprocal is \$21,863, computed as follows:

|                          | Attorney-in-fact fees | Real estate management | Rental income | Total     |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Gross income             | \$85,000              | \$18,000               | \$25,000      | \$128,000 |
| Allocable expenses       | 25,000                | 3,000                  | 35,000        | 63,000    |
| Taxable income (loss)    | 60,000                | 15,000                 | (10,000)      | 65,000    |
| Normal tax (30 percent)  | 18,000                | 4,500                  | 0             | 19,500    |
| Surtax exemption         | 20,000                | 5,000                  | 0             | 25,000    |
| Income subject to surtax | 40,000                | 10,000                 | 0             | 40,000    |



|                            | Attorney-in-fact fees | Real estate management | Rental income | Total  |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------|--------|
| Surtax (22 percent) ..     | 8,800                 | 2,200                  | 0             | 8,800  |
| Total tax .....            | 26,800                | 6,700                  | 0             | 28,300 |
| Investment credit .....    | 800                   | 0                      | 0             | 800    |
| 1963 tax liability .....   | 26,000                | 6,700                  | 0             | 27,500 |
| 1963 tax paid .....        | .....                 | .....                  | .....         | 27,500 |
| Allocation of tax paid ... | 21,863                | 5,637                  | 0             | 27,500 |

Under paragraph (b)(1) of § 1.826-5, F computes its taxable income from its attorney-in-fact fees to be \$60,000 (\$85,000 minus \$25,000), and its taxable income from its real estate management to be \$15,000 (\$18,000 minus \$3,000). Since F's rental operations resulted in a \$10,000 loss for the taxable year (\$25,000 minus \$35,000), F's taxable income from its rental operations is zero. Using the 30 percent rate provided by section 11(b), F computes its normal tax to be \$18,000 on its attorney-in-fact fees and \$4,500 on its real estate management operations. F's normal tax on total income is \$19,500. The \$3,000 difference between the normal tax on F's total income and the normal taxes on F's profitable operations results from the loss on F's rental operations. Under paragraph (b)(3) of § 1.826-5, F allocates its surtax exemption as follows: \$20,000 (\$60,000/\$75,000×\$25,000) to its attorney-in-fact fees; and \$5,000 (\$15,000/\$75,000×\$25,000) to its real estate management operations. F computes its surtax on its profitable operations at the 22 percent rate provided by section 11(c) as follows: \$8,800 (22 percent of \$40,000) on attorney-in-fact fees; and \$2,200 (22 percent of \$10,000) on real estate management income. F adds its normal tax and surtax on its profitable operations and determines its total tax to be \$26,800 on its attorney-in-fact operations; \$6,700 on its real estate management operations; and \$28,300 on its total income. F must allocate its investment credit on the same basis as it used to allocate its expenses. Thus, F's entire investment credit must be allocated to its attorney-in-fact operations. Accordingly, F's 1963 tax liability is \$26,000 on its attorney-in-fact fees; \$6,700 on its real estate management operations; \$0 on its rental operations; and \$27,500 on its total income. Under paragraph (b)(7) of § 1.826-5, F allocates \$21,863 (\$26,000/\$32,700×\$27,500) of its 1963 tax paid to its attorney-in-fact fees; and \$5,637 (\$6,700/\$32,700×\$27,500) of its 1963 tax paid to its real estate management business. F's reciprocal will be allowed a credit or refund of \$21,863 for taxes paid by F which are attributable to F's income received from its reciprocal. *se* \*COM

*Example 3.* Assume the same facts as in example 2, and assume further that in 1966 F sustains a net operating loss on its overall

operations of \$5,000. In carrying the loss back to 1963 as a net operating loss deduction under section 172, F must allocate the deduction under the same method it used in allocating its 1963 deductions. Thus, if the loss was entirely attributable to F's rental operations for the taxable year 1966, F would reduce its taxable income attributable to those operations by the entire amount of the loss and would recompute the tax attributable to those operations under paragraph (b) of § 1.826-5. As recomputed in the table below, F's 1963 tax liability from attorney-in-fact fees would be \$19,800 and F's total tax liability would be \$24,900.

|                                | Attorney-in-fact fees | Real estate management | Rental income | Total     |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Gross income .....             | \$85,000              | \$18,000               | \$25,000      | \$128,000 |
| Allocable expenses             | 25,000                | 3,000                  | 35,000        | 63,000    |
| Net operating loss deduction   | 0                     | 0                      | 5,000         | 5,000     |
| Taxable income (loss) .....    | 60,000                | 15,000                 | (15,000)      | 60,000    |
| Normal tax (30 percent) .....  | 18,000                | 4,500                  | 0             | 18,000    |
| Surtax exemption ...           | 20,000                | 5,000                  | 0             | 25,000    |
| Income subject to surtax ..... | 40,000                | 10,000                 | 0             | 35,000    |
| Surtax (22 percent) ..         | 8,800                 | 2,200                  | 0             | 7,700     |
| Total tax .....                | 26,800                | 6,700                  | 0             | 25,700    |
| Investment credit .....        | 800                   | 0                      | 0             | 800       |
| 1963 tax liability .....       | 26,000                | 6,700                  | 0             | 24,900    |
| 1963 tax paid .....            | .....                 | .....                  | .....         | 24,900    |
| Allocation of tax paid ...     | 19,800                | 5,100                  | 0             | 24,900    |

As a result of its 1966 net operating loss, F would be entitled to a refund of \$2,600 (1963 taxes paid of \$27,500 minus recomputed 1963 taxes of \$24,900). Under paragraph (a) of § 1.826-6, F would be required to notify its reciprocal of its claim for refund and of the amount of the refund or credit attributable to taxes paid on income received from the reciprocal. Since the 1963 tax paid by F attributable to its reciprocal (as recomputed) is less than the amount claimed in 1963 by F's reciprocal as a credit, F's reciprocal would be required, under section 826(g), to add the difference—\$2,063 (\$21,863 minus \$19,800), to its tax liability for 1966. Thus, F's reciprocal would first compute its tax liability for 1966 without regard to section 826(g) and then would increase such liability by \$2,063.

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## OTHER INSURANCE COMPANIES

**§ 1.831-1 Tax on insurance companies (other than life or mutual), mutual marine insurance companies, and mutual fire insurance companies issuing perpetual policies.**

(a) All insurance companies, other than life or mutual or foreign insurance companies not carrying on an insurance business within the United States, and all mutual marine insurance companies and mutual fire insurance companies exclusively issuing either perpetual policies, or policies for which the sole premium charged is a single deposit which, except for such deduction of underwriting costs as may be provided, is refundable upon cancellation or expiration of the policy, are subject to the tax imposed by section 831. As used in this section and §§ 1.832-1 and 1.832-2, the term "insurance companies" means only those companies which qualify as insurance companies under the definition provided by paragraph (b) of § 1.801-1 and which are subject to the tax imposed by section 831.

(b) All provisions of the Code and of the regulations in this part not inconsistent with the specific provisions of section 831 are applicable to the assessment and collection of the tax imposed by section 831(a), and insurance companies are subject to the same penalties as are provided in the case of returns and payment of income tax by other corporations.

(c) Since section 832 provides that the underwriting and investment exhibit of the annual statement approved by the National Convention of Insurance Commissioners shall be the basis for computing gross income and since the annual statement is rendered on the calendar year basis, the returns under section 831 shall be made on the basis of the calendar year and shall be on Form 1120. Insurance companies are entitled, in computing insurance company taxable income, to the deductions provided in part VIII (section 241 and following), subchapter B, chapter 1 of the Code.

(d) Foreign insurance companies not carrying on an insurance business within the United States are not taxable under section 831 but are taxable

as other foreign corporations. See section 881.

(e) Insurance companies are subject to both normal tax and surtax. The normal tax shall be computed as provided in section 11(b) and the surtax shall be computed as provided in section 11(c). For the circumstances under which the \$25,000 exemption from surtax for certain taxable years may be disallowed in whole or in part, see section 1551. For alternative tax where the net long-term capital gain for any taxable year exceeds the net short-term capital loss, see section 1201(a) and the regulations thereunder.

**§ 1.831-2 Taxable years affected.**

Section 1.831-1 is applicable only to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1953, but before January 1, 1963, and ending after August 16, 1954, and all references therein to sections of the Code and regulations are to sections of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and the regulations thereunder before amendments. Section 1.831-3 is applicable only to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1962, and all references therein to sections of the Code and regulations are to sections of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended. Section 1.831-4 is applicable only with respect to the companies described therein, and only with respect to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1961.

[T.D. 6681, 28 FR 11128, Oct. 17, 1963]

**§ 1.831-3 Tax on insurance companies (other than life or mutual), mutual marine insurance companies, mutual fire insurance companies issuing perpetual policies, and mutual fire or flood insurance companies operating on the basis of premium deposits; taxable years beginning after December 31, 1962.**

(a) All insurance companies, other than life or mutual or foreign insurance companies not carrying on an insurance business within the United States, and all mutual marine insurance companies and mutual fire or flood insurance companies exclusively issuing perpetual policies or whose principal business is the issuance of policies for which the premium deposits are the same regardless of the

length of the term for which the policies are written, are subject to the tax imposed by section 831 if the unabsorbed portion of such premium deposits not required for losses, expenses or reserves is returned or credited to the policyholder on cancellation or expiration of the policy. For purposes of section 831 and this section, in the case of a mutual flood insurance company, the premium deposits will be considered to be the same if the payment of a premium increases the total insurance under the policy in an amount equal to the amount of such premium and the omission of any annual premium does not result in the reduction or suspension of coverage under the policy. As used in this section and section 832 and the regulations thereunder, the term "insurance companies" means only those companies which qualify as insurance companies under the definition provided by paragraph (b) of § 1.801-1 and which are subject to the tax imposed by section 831.

(b) All provisions of the Code and of the regulations in this part not inconsistent with the specific provisions of section 831 are applicable to the assessment and collection of the tax imposed by section 831(a), and insurance companies are subject to the same penalties as are provided in the case of returns and payment of income tax by other corporations.

(c) Since section 832 provides that the underwriting and investment exhibit of the annual statement approved by the National Convention of Insurance Commissioners shall be the basis for computing gross income and since the annual statement is rendered on the calendar year basis, the returns under section 831 shall be made on the basis of the calendar year and shall be on Form 1120. Insurance companies are entitled, in computing insurance company taxable income, to the deductions provided in part VIII (section 241 and following), subchapter B, chapter 1 of the Code.

(d) Foreign insurance companies not carrying on an insurance business within the United States are not taxable under section 831 but are taxable as other foreign corporations. See section 881.

(e) Insurance companies are subject to both normal tax and surtax. The normal tax shall be computed as provided in section 11(b) and the surtax shall be computed as provided in section 11(c). For the circumstances under which the \$25,000 exemption from surtax for certain taxable years may be disallowed in whole or in part, see section 1551. For alternative tax where the net long-term capital gain for any taxable year exceeds the net short-term capital loss, see section 1201(a) and the regulations thereunder.

[T.D. 6681, 28 FR 11128, Oct. 17, 1963]

**§ 1.831-4 Election of multiple line companies to be taxed on total income.**

(a) *In general.* Section 831(c) provides that any mutual insurance company engaged in writing marine, fire, and casualty insurance which, for any 5-year period beginning after December 31, 1941, and ending before January 1, 1962, was subject to the tax imposed by section 831 (or the tax imposed by corresponding provisions of prior law) may elect, in the manner provided by paragraph (b) of this section, to be subject to the tax imposed by section 831, whether or not marine insurance is its predominant source of premium income. A company making an election under section 831(c) and this section will be subject to the tax imposed by section 831 for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1961, rather than subject to the tax imposed by section 821.

(b) *Time and manner of making election.* The election provided by section 831(c) and paragraph (a) of this section shall be made in a statement attached to the taxpayer's return for the taxable year 1962. The statement shall indicate that the taxpayer has made the election provided by section 831(c) and this section; shall include the name and address of the taxpayer, and shall be signed by the taxpayer or his duly authorized representative. In addition, the statement shall list the 5 consecutive taxable years prior to 1962 for which the taxpayer was subject to tax under section 831 (or the corresponding provisions of prior law); the types of insurance written by the company; and the percentage of marine insurance to total insurance written. The return

and statement must be filed not later than the date prescribed by law (including extensions thereof) for filing the return for the taxable year 1962. However, if the last date prescribed by law (including extensions thereof) for filing the income tax return for the taxable year 1962 falls before October 17, 1963, the election provided by section 831(c) and this section may be made for such year by filing the statement and an amended return for such taxable year (and all subsequent taxable years for which returns have been filed) before January 16, 1964.

(c) *Scope of election.* An election made under section 831(c) and paragraph (b) of this section shall be binding for all taxable years beginning after December 31, 1961, unless consent to revoke the election is obtained from the Commissioner. However, if a taxpayer made the election provided by section 831(c) and this section for taxable years beginning prior to October 17, 1963, the taxpayer may revoke such election without obtaining consent from the Commissioner by filing, before January 16, 1964, a statement that the taxpayer desires to revoke such election. Such statement shall be signed by the taxpayer or its duly authorized representative. An amended return reflecting such revocation must accompany the statement for all taxable years for which returns have been filed with respect to such election.

(d) *Limitation on certain net operating loss carryovers and carrybacks.* In the case of a taxpayer making the election allowed under section 831(c) and this section, a net operating loss shall not be carried:

(1) To or from any taxable year for which the insurance company is not subject to the tax imposed by section 831(a) (or predecessor sections); or

(2) To any taxable year if, between the loss year and such taxable year, there is an intervening taxable year for which the insurance company was not subject to the tax imposed by section 831(a) (or predecessor sections).

[T.D. 6681, 28 FR 11128, Oct. 17, 1963]

**§ 1.832-1 Gross income.**

(a) Gross income as defined in section 832(b)(1) means the gross amount of income earned during the taxable year

from interest, dividends, rents, and premium income, computed on the basis of the underwriting and investment exhibit of the annual statement approved by the National Convention of Insurance Commissioners, as well as the gain derived from the sale or other disposition of property, and all other items constituting gross income under section 61, except that in the case of a mutual fire insurance company described in § 1.831-1 the amount of single deposit premiums received, but not assessments, shall be excluded from gross income. Gross income does not include increase in liabilities during the year on account of reinsurance treaties, remittances from the home office of a foreign insurance company to the United States branch, borrowed money, or gross increase due to adjustments in book value of capital assets. The underwriting and investment exhibit is presumed to reflect the true net income of the company, and insofar as it is not inconsistent with the provisions of the Code will be recognized and used as a basis for that purpose. All items of the exhibit, however, do not reflect an insurance company's income as defined in the Code. By reason of the definition of investment income, miscellaneous items which are intended to reflect surplus but do not properly enter into the computation of income, such as dividends declared to shareholders in their capacity as such, home office remittances and receipts, and special deposits, are ignored. Gain or loss from agency balances and bills receivable not admitted as assets on the underwriting and investment exhibit will be ignored, excepting only such agency balances and bills receivable as have been allowed as deductions for worthless debts or, having been previously so allowed, are recovered during the taxable year. In computing "premiums earned on insurance contracts during the taxable year" the amount of the unearned premiums shall include (1) life insurance reserves as defined in section 803(b) and § 1.803-1 pertaining to the life, burial, or funeral insurance, or annuity business of an insurance company subject to the tax imposed by section 831 and not qualifying as a life insurance company under section 801, and (2) liability for return premiums

under a rate credit or retrospective rating plan based on experience, such as the "War Department Insurance Rating Plan," and which return premiums are therefore not earned premiums. In computing "losses incurred" the determination of unpaid losses at the close of each year must represent actual unpaid losses as nearly as it is possible to ascertain them.

(b) Every insurance company to which this section applies must be prepared to establish to the satisfaction of the district director that the part of the deduction for "losses incurred" which represents unpaid losses at the close of the taxable year comprises only actual unpaid losses stated in amounts which, based upon the facts in each case and the company's experience with similar cases, can be said to represent a fair and reasonable estimate of the amount the company will be required to pay. Amounts included in, or added to, the estimates of such losses which, in the opinion of the district director are in excess of the actual liability determined as provided in the preceding sentence will be disallowed as a deduction. The district director may require any such insurance company to submit such detailed information with respect to its actual experience as is deemed necessary to establish the reasonableness of the deduction for "losses incurred."

(c) That part of the deduction for "losses incurred" which represents an adjustment to losses paid for salvage and reinsurance recoverable shall, except as hereinafter provided, include all salvage in course of liquidation, and all reinsurance in process of collection not otherwise taken into account as a reduction of losses paid, outstanding at the end of the taxable year. Salvage in course of liquidation includes all property (other than cash), real or personal, tangible or intangible, except that which may not be included by reason of express statutory provisions (or rules and regulations of an insurance department) of any State or Territory or the District of Columbia in which the company transacts business. Such salvage in course of liquidation shall be taken into account to the extent of the value thereof at the end of the taxable year as determined from a fair and reason-

able estimate based upon either the facts in each case or the company's experience with similar cases. Cash received during the taxable year with respect to items of salvage or reinsurance shall be taken into account in computing losses paid during such taxable year.

#### § 1.832-2 Deductions.

(a) The deductions allowable are specified in section 832(c) and by reason of the provisions of section 832(c)(10) and (12) include in addition certain deductions provided in sections 161, and 241 and following. The deductions, however, are subject to the limitation provided in section 265, relating to expenses and interest in respect of tax-exempt income. The net operating loss deduction is computed under section 172 and the regulations thereunder. For the purposes of section 172, relating to net operating loss deduction, "gross income" shall mean gross income as defined in section 832(b)(1) and the allowable deductions shall be those allowed by section 832(c) with the exceptions and limitations set forth in section 172(d). In addition to the deduction for capital losses provided in subchapter P (section 1201 and following), chapter 1 of the Code, insurance companies are allowed a deduction for losses from capital assets sold or exchanged in order to obtain funds to meet abnormal insurance losses and to provide for the payment of dividends and similar distributions to policyholders. A special rule is provided for the application of the capital loss carryover provisions of section 1212. The deduction is the same as that allowed mutual insurance companies subject to the tax imposed by section 821; see section 822(c)(6) and the regulations thereunder. Insurance companies, other than mutual fire insurance companies described in § 1.831-1, are also allowed a deduction for dividends and similar distributions paid or declared to policyholders in their capacity as such. The deduction is otherwise the same as that allowed mutual insurance companies subject to the tax imposed by section 821; see section 823(2) and the regulations thereunder.

(b) Among the items which may not be deducted are income and profits

taxes imposed by the United States, income and profits taxes imposed by any foreign country or possession of the United States (in cases where the company chooses to claim to any extent a credit for such taxes), taxes assessed against local benefits, decrease during the year due to adjustments in the book value of capital assets, decrease in liabilities during the year on account of reinsurance treaties, dividends paid to shareholders in their capacity as such, remittances to the home office of a foreign insurance company by the United States branch, and borrowed money repaid.

(c) In computing taxable income of insurance companies, losses sustained during the taxable year from the sale or other disposition of property are deductible subject to the limitation contained in section 1211. Insurance companies are entitled to the alternative taxes provided in section 1201.

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### § 1.832-3 Taxable years affected.

Sections 1.832-1 and 1.832-2 are applicable only to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1953, and before January 1, 1963, and ending after August 16, 1954, and all references therein to sections of the Code and regulations are to sections of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and the regulations thereunder before amendments. Sections 1.832-4, 1.832-5, and 1.832-6 are applicable only to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1962, and all references therein to sections of the Code and regulations are to sections of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended.

[T.D. 6681, 28 FR 11129, Oct. 17, 1963]

### § 1.832-4 Gross income.

(a)(1) Gross income as defined in section 832(b)(1) means the gross amount of income earned during the taxable year from interest, dividends, rents, and premium income, computed on the basis of the underwriting and investment exhibit of the annual statement approved by the National Convention of Insurance Commissioners, as well as the gain derived from the sale or other

disposition of property, and all other items constituting gross income under section 61, except that in the case of a mutual fire insurance company described in section 831(a)(3)(A) the amount of single deposit premiums received, but not assessments, shall be excluded from gross income. Section 832(b)(1)(D) provides that in the case of a mutual fire or flood insurance company described in section 831(a)(3)(B), there shall be included in gross income an amount equal to 2 percent of the premiums earned during the taxable year on contracts described in section 831(a)(3)(B) after deduction of premium deposits returned or credited during such taxable year with respect to such contracts. Gross income does not include increase in liabilities during the year on account of reinsurance treaties, remittances from the home office of a foreign insurance company to the United States branch, borrowed money, or gross increase due to adjustments in book value of capital assets.

(2) The underwriting and investment exhibit is presumed to reflect the true net income of the company, and insofar as it is not inconsistent with the provisions of the Code will be recognized and used as a basis for that purpose. All items of the exhibit, however, do not reflect an insurance company's income as defined in the Code. By reason of the definition of investment income, miscellaneous items which are intended to reflect surplus but do not properly enter into the computation of income, such as dividends declared to shareholders in their capacity as such, home office remittances and receipts, and special deposits, are ignored. Gain or loss from agency balances and bills receivable not admitted as assets on the underwriting and investment exhibit will be ignored, excepting only such agency balances and bills receivable as have been allowed as deductions for worthless debts or, having been previously so allowed, are recovered during the taxable year.

(3) In computing "premiums earned on insurance contracts during the taxable year" the amount of the unearned premiums shall include:

(i) Life insurance reserves as defined in section 803(b) and § 1.803-1 pertaining to the life, burial, or funeral insurance,

or annuity business of an insurance company subject to the tax imposed by section 831 and not qualifying as a life insurance company under section 801;

(ii) Liability for return premiums under a rate credit or retrospective rating plan based on experience, such as the "War Department Insurance Rating Plan," and which return premiums are therefore not earned premiums; and

(iii) In the case of a mutual fire or flood insurance company described in section 831(a)(3)(B) (with respect to the contracts described therein), the amount of unabsorbed premium deposits which the company would be obligated to return to its policyholders at the close of the company's taxable year if all of its policies were terminated at such time.

(4) In computing the amount of unabsorbed premium deposits which a mutual fire or flood insurance company described in section 831(a)(3)(B) would be obligated to return to its policyholders at the close of its taxable year, the company must use its own schedule of unabsorbed premium deposit returns then in effect. A copy of the applicable schedule must be filed with the company's income tax return for each taxable year for which a computation based upon such schedule is made. In addition, a taxpayer making such a computation must provide the following information for each taxable year for which the computation is made:

(i) The amount of gross premiums received during the taxable year, and the amount of premiums paid for reinsurance during the taxable year, on the policies described in section 831(a)(3)(B) and on other policies;

(ii) The amount of insurance written during the taxable year under the policies described in section 831(a)(3)(B) and under other policies, and the amount of such insurance written which was reinsured during the taxable year. The information required under this subdivision shall only be submitted upon the specific request of the district director for a statement setting forth such information, and, if required, such statement shall be filed in the manner provided by this subparagraph or in such other manner as is satisfactory to the district director;

(iii) The amount of premiums earned during the taxable year on the policies described in section 831(a)(3)(B) and on other policies and the computations by which such amounts were determined, including sufficient information to support the taxpayer's determination of the amount of unearned premiums on premium deposit plan and other policies at the beginning and end of the taxable year, and the amount of unabsorbed premium deposits at the beginning and end of the taxable year on policies described in section 831(a)(3)(B).

The information required by this subparagraph shall be set forth in a statement attached to the taxpayer's income tax return for the taxable year for which such information is being provided. Such statement shall include the name and address of the taxpayer, and shall be filed not later than the date prescribed by law (including extensions thereof) for filing the income tax return for the taxable year.

(5) In computing "losses incurred" the determination of unpaid losses at the close of each year must represent actual unpaid losses as nearly as it is possible to ascertain them.

(b) *Losses incurred.* Every insurance company to which this section applies must be prepared to establish to the satisfaction of the district director that the part of the deduction for "losses incurred" which represents unpaid losses at the close of the taxable year comprises only actual unpaid losses. See section 846 for rules relating to the determination of discounted unpaid losses. These losses must be stated in amounts which, based upon the facts in each case and the company's experience with similar cases, represent a fair and reasonable estimate of the amount the company will be required to pay. Amounts included in, or added to, the estimates of unpaid losses which, in the opinion of the district director, are in excess of a fair and reasonable estimate will be disallowed as a deduction. The district director may require any insurance company to submit such detailed information with respect to its actual experience as is deemed necessary to establish the reasonableness of the deduction for "losses incurred."

(c) *Losses incurred are reduced by salvage.* Under section 832(b)(5)(A), losses incurred are computed by taking into account losses paid reduced by salvage and reinsurance recovered, the change in discounted unpaid losses, and the change in estimated salvage and reinsurance recoverable. For purposes of section 832(b)(5)(A)(iii), estimated salvage recoverable includes all anticipated recoveries on account of salvage, whether or not the salvage is treated, or may be treated, as an asset for state statutory accounting purposes. Estimates of salvage recoverable must be based on the facts of each case and the company's experience with similar cases. Except as otherwise provided in guidance published by the Commissioner in the Internal Revenue Bulletin, estimated salvage recoverable must be discounted either—

(1) By using the applicable discount factors published by the Commissioner for estimated salvage recoverable; or

(2) By using the loss payment pattern for a line of business as the salvage recovery pattern for that line of business and by using the applicable interest rate for calculating unpaid losses under section 846(c). For purposes of section 832(b)(5)(A) and the regulations thereunder, the term "salvage recoverable" includes anticipated recoveries on account of subrogation claims arising with respect to paid or unpaid losses.

(d) *Increase in unpaid losses shown on annual statement in certain circumstances—*(1) *In general.* An insurance company that takes estimated salvage recoverable into account in determining the amount of its unpaid losses shown on its annual statement is allowed to increase its unpaid losses by the amount of estimated salvage recoverable taken into account if the company complies with the disclosure requirement of paragraph (d)(2) of this section. This adjustment shall not be used in determining under section 846(d) the loss payment pattern for a line of business.

(2) *Disclosure requirement.* (i) *In general.* A company described in paragraph (d)(1) of this section is allowed to increase the unpaid losses shown on its annual statement only if the company either—

(A) Discloses on its annual statement, by line of business and accident year, the extent to which estimated salvage recoverable is taken into account in computing the unpaid losses shown on the annual statement filed by the company for the calendar year ending with or within the taxable year of the company; or

(B) Files a statement on or before the due date of its Federal income tax return (determined without regard to extensions) with the appropriate state regulatory authority of each state to which the company is required to submit an annual statement. The statement must be contained in a separate document captioned "DISCLOSURE CONCERNING LOSS RESERVES" and must disclose, by line of business and accident year, the extent to which estimated salvage recoverable is taken into account in computing the unpaid losses shown on the annual statement filed by the company for the calendar year ending with or within the taxable year of the company.

(ii) *Transitional rule.* For a taxable year ending before December 31, 1991, a taxpayer is deemed to satisfy the disclosure requirement of paragraph (d)(2)(i)(B) of this section if the taxpayer files the statement described in paragraph (d)(2)(i)(B) of this section before March 17, 1992.

(3) *Failure to disclose in a subsequent year.* If a company that claims the increase permitted by paragraph (d)(1) of this section fails in a subsequent taxable year to make the disclosure described in paragraph (d)(2) of this section, the company cannot claim an increase under paragraph (d)(1) of this section in any subsequent taxable year without the consent of the Commissioner.

(e) *Treatment of estimated salvage recoverable—*(1) *In general.* An insurance company is required to take estimated salvage recoverable (including that which cannot be treated as an asset for state statutory accounting purposes) into account in computing the deduction for losses incurred. Except as provided in paragraph (e)(2)(iii) of this section, an insurance company must apply this method of accounting to estimated salvage recoverable for all lines of business and for all accident years.



(2) *Change in method of accounting*—(i) If an insurance company did not take estimated salvage recoverable into account as required by paragraph (c) of this section for its last taxable year beginning before January 1, 1990, taking estimated salvage recoverable into account as required by paragraph (c) of this section is a change in method of accounting.

(ii) If a company does not claim the deduction under section 11305(c)(3) of the 1990 Act, the company must take into account 13 percent of the adjustment that would otherwise be required under section 481 for pre-1990 accident years as a result of the change in accounting method. This paragraph (e)(2)(ii) applies only to an insurance company subject to tax under section 831.

(iii) If a company claims the deduction under section 11305(c)(3) of the 1990 Act and paragraph (f) of this section, the company must implement the change in method of accounting for estimated salvage recoverable for post-1989 taxable years pursuant to a “cut-off” method.

(3) *Rule for overestimates.* An insurance company is required under section 11305(c)(4) of the 1990 Act to include in gross income 87 percent of any amount (adjusted for discounting) by which the section 481 adjustment is overestimated. The rule is applied by comparing the amount of the section 481 adjustment (determined without regard to paragraph (e)(2)(ii) of this section and any discounting) to the sum of the actual salvage recoveries and remaining undiscounted estimated salvage recoverable that are attributable to losses incurred in accident years beginning before 1990. For any taxable year beginning after December 31, 1989, any excess of the section 481 adjustment over this sum (reduced by amounts treated as overestimates in prior taxable years pursuant to this paragraph (e)(3)) is an overestimate. To determine the amount to be included in income, it is necessary to discount this excess and multiply the resulting amount by 87 percent.

(f) *Special deduction*—(1) *In general.* Under section 11305(c)(3) of the 1990 Act, an insurance company may deduct an amount equal to 87 percent of the

discounted amount of estimated salvage recoverable that the company took into account in determining the deduction for losses incurred under section 832(b)(5) in the last taxable year beginning before January 1, 1990. A company that claims the special deduction must establish to the satisfaction of the district director that the deduction represents only the discounted amount of estimated salvage recoverable that was actually taken into account by the company in computing losses incurred for that taxable year.

(2) *Safe harbor.* The requirements of paragraph (f)(1) of this section are deemed satisfied and the amount that the company reports as bona fide estimated salvage recoverable is not subject to adjustment by the district director, if—

(i) The company files with the insurance regulatory authority of the company’s state of domicile, on or before September 16, 1991, a statement disclosing the extent to which losses incurred for each line of business reported on its 1989 annual statement were reduced by estimated salvage recoverable,

(ii) The company attaches a statement to its Federal income tax return filed for the first taxable year beginning after December 31, 1989, agreeing to apply the special rule for overestimates under section 11305(c)(4) of the 1990 Act to the amount of estimated salvage recoverable for which it has taken the special deduction, and

(iii) In the case of a company that is a member of a consolidated group, each insurance company subject to tax under section 831 that is included in the consolidated group complies with paragraph (f)(2)(ii) of this section with respect to its special deduction, if any.

(3) *Limitations on special deduction*—(i) The special deduction under section 11305(c)(3) of the 1990 Act is available only to an insurance company subject to tax under section 831.

(ii) An insurance company that claimed the benefit of the “fresh start” with respect to estimated salvage recoverable under section 1023(e) of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 may not claim the special deduction allowed by section 11305(c)(3) of the 1990 Act to the

extent of the estimated salvage recoverable for which a fresh start benefit was previously claimed.

(iii) A company that claims the special deduction is precluded from also claiming the section 481 adjustment provided in paragraph (e)(2)(ii) of this section for pre-1990 accident years.

(g) *Effective date.* Paragraphs (b) through (f) of this section are effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1989.

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#### § 1.832-5 Deductions.

(a) The deductions allowable are specified in section 832(c) and by reason of the provisions of section 832(c)(10) and (12) include in addition certain deductions provided in sections 161, and 241 and following. The deductions, however, are subject to the limitation provided in section 265, relating to expenses and interest in respect of tax-exempt income. The net operating loss deduction is computed under section 172 and the regulations thereunder. For the purposes of section 172, relating to net operating loss deduction, "gross income" shall mean gross income as defined in section 832(b)(1) and the allowable deductions shall be those allowed by section 832(c) with the exceptions and limitations set forth in section 172(d). In addition to the deduction for capital losses provided in subchapter P (section 1201 and following), chapter 1 of the Code, insurance companies are allowed a deduction for losses from capital assets sold or exchanged in order to obtain funds to meet abnormal insurance losses and to provide for the payment of dividends and similar distributions to policyholders. A special rule is provided for the application of the capital loss carryover provisions of section 1212. The deduction is the same as that allowed mutual insurance companies subject to the tax imposed by section 821; see section 822(c)(6) and the regulation thereunder. Insurance companies, other than mutual fire insurance companies described in section 831(a)(3)(A) and the regulations thereunder, are also allowed a deduction for

dividends and similar distributions paid or declared to policyholders in their capacity as such. Similar distributions include such payments as the so-called unabsorbed premium deposits returned to policyholders by factory mutual insurance companies. The deduction is otherwise the same as that allowed mutual insurance companies subject to the tax imposed by section 821; see section 822(f)(2) and the regulations thereunder.

(b) Among the items which may not be deducted are income and profits taxes imposed by the United States, income and profits taxes imposed by any foreign country or possession of the United States (in cases where the company chooses to claim to any extent a credit for such taxes), taxes assessed against local benefits, decrease during the year due to adjustments in the book value of capital assets, decrease in liabilities during the year on account of reinsurance treaties, dividends paid to shareholders in their capacity as such, remittances to the home office of a foreign insurance company by the United States branch, and borrowed money repaid.

(c) In computing taxable income of insurance companies, losses sustained during the taxable year from the sale or other disposition of property are deductible subject to the limitation contained in section 1211. Insurance companies are entitled to the alternative taxes provided in section 1201.

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#### § 1.832-6 Policyholders of mutual fire or flood insurance companies operating on the basis of premium deposits.

For purposes of determining his taxable income for any taxable year, a taxpayer insured by a mutual fire or flood insurance company under a policy for which the premium deposit is the same regardless of the length of the term for which the policy is written, and who is entitled to have returned or credited to his on the cancellation or expiration of such policy the unabsorbed portion of the premium deposit not required for losses, expenses, or establishment of reserves, may, if